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[XRUSH] RESPONSE: AM

Per attorney phone contact changes amended.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows:

Data and Power and Electrical Signal Interface for a Therapeutic Bed

Please amend paragraph 1 as follows:

[0001] This application is a divisional of patent application Ser. No. 09/821,552 filed Mar. 29, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,671,905, entitled "PRONE POSITIONING THERAPEUTIC BED." This application also claims priority for commonly disclosed subject matter to patent application Ser. No. 09/884,749 filed June 19, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,566,833, similarly entitled "PRONE POSITIONING THERAPEUTIC BED," which is a continuation of continuation-in-part of Ser. No. 09/821,552. This application also claims priority for commonly disclosed subject matter to PCT/IE02/00085, filed June 26, 2002, entitled "BED WITH POSITION CHANGE FACILITY," which claims priority to Ireland Application No. S2001/0589, filed June 26, 2001.

Please add a new paragraph after paragraph 35 as follows:

FIG. 22 is a block diagram illustrating a direct electrical connection between a base frame and a patient monitoring device connected to a patient support platform.

Please amend paragraph 47 as follows:

[0047] FIGS. 8 through 13 and 22 illustrate an apparatus at the foot of bed 10 for supplying a direct electrical connection between non-rotating base frame 16 and a patient monitoring device 300 connected to a rotating patient support platform 20. As best shown in FIGS. 8 and 13, end ring 24, which is fastened to rotating patient support platform 20, is also connected to an annular channel 126 that serves as a housing for a cable carrier 148. Cable carrier 148 carries an electrical cable 253 (not shown) comprising power, ground, and signal wires as is customary in the art. Channel 126, which preferably has a C-shaped cross-section, may be attached to end ring 24 by way of support bars 192. Because channel 126 is attached to

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